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Attorney Docket No.: **60188-601**
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Shiro SAKIYAMA, et al. : Customer No.20277
Serial No.: 10/630,803 : Confirmation No.: 9765
Filed: July 31, 2003 : Group Art Unit: 2825
For: CELL LIBRARY DATABASE AND TIMING VERIFICATION AND : Examiner: BINH C. TAT
WITHSTAND VOLTAGE VERIFICATION SYSTEMS FOR
INTEGRATED CIRCUIT USING THE SAME

ELECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Mail Stop Amendment
Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 1, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire September 1, 2006, wherein the Examiner required restriction between the following

Groups:

- Group I - Claims 1-6, drawn to a cell library database;
- Group II - Claim 7, drawn to a timing verification system; and
- Group III - Claims 8-9, drawn to withstand voltage verification system.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-6, for initial prosecution on the merits. Applicants also reserve the right to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected claims which the Examiner has indicated are patentably distinct.

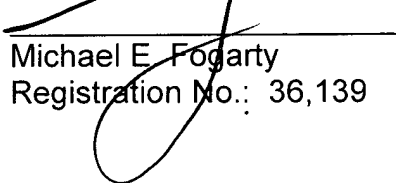
Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0417. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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